

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Jon Sonju, on March 25, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 350 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Jon Sonju, Chair (R)
Sen. Art Wittich, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Shannon Augare (D)
Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Alan Olson (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt (R)
Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Lynda Moss (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Branch
Rinay Bender, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 417, 3/25/2011; SB 420, 3/25/2011

Executive Action: SB 420 Do Pass
SB 417 Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 420

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:20 Sen. Steven Gallus (D), SD 37, opened the hearing on SB 420, Revise local government audit laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

None

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:00:57 Sen. Gallus

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 420

(Sen. Augere and Sen. Moss not present during voting)

00:01:10 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Olson moved that **SB 420 DO PASS**. Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote of those present and voting.

HEARING ON SB 417

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:28 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 13, opened the hearing on SB 417, Designate military affected areas.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:00 Joe Briggs, Cascade County Commissioner, Central Montana Defense Alliance, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

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00:09:08 Debra LaFountaine, Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

00:11:50 Jeremiah Johnson, Great Falls Development Authority (GFDA)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:12:55 Sen. Vuckovich
00:13:20 Sen. Buttrey
00:13:37 Leanne Kurtz, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:13:55 Sen. Vuckovich
00:14:03 Ms. Kurtz, LSD
00:14:24 Sen. Vuckovich

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:15 Sen. Buttrey

Additional Proponent Testimony without objection:

00:16:09 Sen. Zinke, SD 2

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 417

00:17:22 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Buttrey moved that **SB 417 DO PASS**. Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote of those present and voting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned: 3:25 pm

Rinay Bender, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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